Missouri State Library

Show Me Express

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Show Me Express features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

DASH for the **STASH**

The Securities Division of the Missouri Secretary of State's Office is offering Missouri's educational institutions, public libraries and other community organizations an exciting investor education and protection program and contest called DASH for the STASH. The DASH program and contest will run from March 15, 2016 through May 15, 2016, covering the entire length of Financial Literacy Month (April).

The 2016 DASH program is a great way to provide patrons an educational opportunity and a chance to win the statewide prize of a \$1,000 contribution to an Individual Retirement Account (IRA). There is no charge to participate, and no taxpayer funds are expended to administer this program. Missouri is one of more than 10 states collaborating with the Investor Protection Institute (IPI), a nonprofit organization that is devoted to investor education and protection.

It's easy to host a DASH event. No prior knowledge of the stock market, financial planning or investing is needed, and participating location staff and patrons can enter the contest too! The DASH program features a poster-based, investor education and protection contest that can be played by smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop computer.

To receive additional information about the 2016 Dash for the Stash program, please contact John Hale, director of Investor Education, at john.hale@sos.mo.gov.

2015-2016 Blue Book Now Available Online

The 2015-2016 Official Manual State of Missouri (a.k.a. the "Blue Book") was released in digital format by the Publications Division of the Missouri Secretary of State's Office: http://www.mobluebook.com. The University of Missouri Press will print the publication later this year. For questions about the book, please contact the Publications Division of the Secretary of State's Office at (573) 751-4218 or publications@sos.mo.gov.

Action Guide for Re-Envisioning Your Public Library Now Available Online

The Aspen Institute released an Action Guide for Re-Envisioning Your Public Library, which was field-tested by 23 public libraries across the country in 2015. The guide helps libraries start a community dialogue and create action steps to re-envision the library as a cornerstone of the community, with a focus on improving community engagement. A companion website for the guide has been launched at LibraryVision.org.

The guide is broken down into sections of activities and worksheets that can be used to evaluate the current level of community support and activity at the library before aiding in the process of setting realistic goals and determining appropriate action steps to help move the library forward. It also assists libraries in creating talking points, which libraries can use to improve community outreach. The guide should be completed section-by-section, in order, and it should end with an event or series of events that begins a community dialogue. Though time varies by library and situation, it takes approximately 8-10 weeks to successfully work through the guide and arrive at the culminating event.

Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities from the State Library

FirstSearch to WorldCat Discovery Transition on Feb. 18 from 10-11 a.m.

This webinar will feature an introduction to WorldCat Discovery, along with information for getting started. Attendees will learn how WorldCat Discovery differs from FirstSearch and how to complete initial configuration of each library's unique WorldCat Discovery site.

WorldCat Discovery Services will replace the OCLC FirstSearch service provided by the Missouri State Library in 2016. WorldCat Discovery enhances and expands FirstSearch to provide access to

more than 1.9 billion items in WorldCat and a central index of more than 2,200 e-resource collections through a completely new interface. Registration is online at FirstSearch to WorldCat
Discovery Transition. Direct questions about the webinar to Becky Wilson at becky.wilson@sos.mo.gov.

Upcoming Online Resources Training Opportunities from MOREnet

E-rate Filing the Application on Feb. 26 and 29 or March 1 at 9 a.m.

A half-day session, held at the MOREnet offices, will cover the application Form 471 in step-by-step detail; select one of three days (Friday, Monday or Tuesday) to attend. Participants should come prepared with eligible services cost and details in order to file the actual application in class. Register at: Friday Session, Monday Session or Tuesday Session.

Video and Podcasting for Mobile Devices on March 15 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

This hands-on session introduces participants to shooting and editing video with mobile devices. Participants will learn about creating instructional videos, podcasts, demos, tutorials and more. Presenters will discuss and demonstrate tools for shooting and editing video for podcasts, YouTube, screencasts and other uses. Participants will learn about tools for converting video between multiple formats, recording and adding audio and where to store finished products. Examples will be created using Android, iPad and Chromebook recording devices. MOREnet has labs of devices to experiment with or participants can bring devices. Register at <u>Video and Podcasting For Mobile Devices</u>.

Choose Your Own Adventure on March 21 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

This hands-on class explores various ways to work with young patrons to create "choose your own adventure" type stories using Google tools. Participants will explore and practice using Drawings, Docs, Forms, Slides, Sites and YouTube as planning and creation tools. Come with a story in mind or collaborate with another participant, in order to learn the process before programming or hosting "Choose Your Own Adventure" activities at the library. Register at Choose Your Own Adventure